## 724th Military Police Battalion



## **Lineage and Honors**

Constituted 15 January 1942 in the Army of the United States as the 724th Military Police Battalion.

Activated 25 January 1942 at Camp Blanding, Florida.

Inactivated 20 April 1946 in Hawaii.

Redesignated 6 August 1947 as the 326th Military Police Battalion, allotted to the Organized Reserves and activated at St. Louis, Missouri. (Organized Reserves redesignated 25 March 1948 as the Organized Reserve Corps. Redesignated 9 July 1952 as the Army Reserve.)

Inactivated 30 March 1951 at St. Louis, Missouri.

Redesignated 24 June 1953 as the 724th Military Police Battalion.

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 724th Military Police Battalion, activated 16 December 1991 at Tallahassee, Florida.

Location changed 15 July 1997 to Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Ordered into active military service 27 December 2002 at Fort Lauderdale; released from active military service 9 April 2004 and reverted to reserve status.

## **Campaign Participation Credit**

World War II
Asiatic-Pacific Theater—Streamer without inscription
War on Terror
Campaigns to be determined

## **Decorations**

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army) for Pacific Theater

Historical note: The Soldiers of Company C of the 724th saw action at Iwo Jima during World War II. Originally sent to escort Japanese interpreters to the island, their role would expand to maintaining enemy prisoners of war and circulation control. Although not part of the initial invasion forces, the company would endure the demanding conditions and assist in fighting off a "banzai" attack.